

1869

Suez Canal was opened

Oct. 16, 1869

Cardiff Grant

Two handymen were digging a well
at William D. Newell's farm near
Cardiff, ~~N.H.~~ N.Y. They dug down 3 ft.
when they struck & unearthed the Cardiff Grant.
It was later proved to be a hoax.
P. T. Barnum paid \$60,000

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Liberal

the True Whig Party won
first presidential election. It became
the dominant political party
until 1980